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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANTS: Scott Dickover, et al.
SERIAL NUMBER: 10/077,610 EXAMINER: Joseph E. Valenza
FILING DATE: February 15, 2002 ART UNIT: 3651
FOR: METHODS AND APPARATUS FOR IMPROVED SELF-CHECKOUT SYSTEM

July 18, 2003
New York, New York

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Dear Sir:

In response to the election requirement set forth in an Office Action (Paper No. 4) mailed June 18, 2003, Applicants hereby elect, without traverse, the invention of Group I encompassed by claims 1-7, drawn to a roller with an internal motor, classified in class 198, subclass 835. Applicants' election is made without prejudice. Applicants respectfully request that claims 8-23 (Groups II, III and IV) be cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer.

Furthermore, Applicants respectfully reserve the right to prosecute the non-elected claims in a continuation or divisional application.

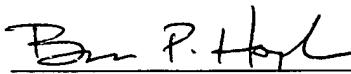
If the Examiner believes that a telephone conference or interview would advance prosecution of this application in any manner, the undersigned stands ready to conduct such a conference at the convenience of the Examiner.

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It is believed that no other fees are due in connection with filing this Response. In the event that it is determined that fees are due, however, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the undersigned's Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Attorney Docket No. 22866-002 UTIL, Customer Number 35437.

Respectfully submitted,



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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing in the present application are the following documents:

- Response to Restriction Requirement (2 pgs.); and
- a Return Postcard.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees that may be due to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 22866-002, Customer Number 35437. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is enclosed.

If the enclosed papers are considered incomplete, the Mail Room and/or the Application Branch is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at 212/692-6803, New York, New York.

Respectfully submitted,

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